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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1016 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the first of three contracts for the construction phase at the Caño Martín Peña- Ecosystem Restoration Project in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The entity that would receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Jacksonville District, located at 701 San Marco Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida 32207.

The purpose of this funding is to cover expenses related to contract #1 of the Caño Martín Peña-Ecosystem Restoration Project. This would allow work between the Corps and the non-Federal sponsor to prepare main disposal sites and initiate dredging efforts by excavating 140,000 cubic yards of material. In part, this will provide much needed relief to one of the most densely populated urban areas on the Island and restore the proper tidal connection between the San Juan Bay and the San José Lagoon.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Jenniffer González-Colón Member of Congress